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> From the Editor's Desk "Saying it like it is!"
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Another week has gone by and the goodies just keep coming for the PC and MAC world. The new software and the updates are powerful and loaded with "cross-platform" compatibility. Optimization of a system's performance is always interesting reading and with the newer software emerging already optimized for 32bit performance, speed is really the name of the game. Elsewhere in this issue, we have included our Autoexec.bat file and Config.sys file for all to see. With advice and expert help of Glenwood Drake we were able to set these two files up and with all our goodies running, still have 632k free! That folks, is without and memory managers running or having been used to optimize. Be sure to check it out.

Novell's Perfect Office is truly superb. The power it yields to the user is mind boggling. Word Perfect 6.1 for Windows is included and its everything anybody could ever possibly want, from word processing to desk top publishing, in this powerful document processor. From a small business to a corporate networked giant, PerfectOffice is all they ever need. We have a good overview in this week's issue.

In last week's editorial, mention was made of the successful sales track record posted by 3DO. At the same time, mention was also made about the 3DO outselling "all the others" at a ratio of three to one. Then mention was made of the most "dismal one" and that it would "soon disappear" from the market. Additionally, mention was made of hard copy and cable ads not being sufficient for the console posting the dismal sales records. Little did this reporter realize the "stink" that would arise from a few readers in Delphi's Atari area. Folks, believe it or not, the most dismal performance sales wise this past year was indeed * NOT * the Atari Jaguar. As a few readers unfortunately had "assumed". It was the Phillips CDI. Also, as was pointed out, the cable ads and hard copy ads for the Phillips were simply not enough to make the purchasing public aware of its existence. The cable ads for the CDI was a repetitive "Infomercial" that soon proved to be most annoying. Sorry to have created such "confusion" for those easily alarmed few.

For the record, anybody caring to rebut anything in STReport is more than welcome to do so. All we sincerely ask for is respect and decorum be the by-words in such an endeavor. Also, we will not allow personalities or, personal criticisms. Stick to the facts and the issues and we'll be more than happy to publish your rebuttal and/or "letter to the editor".

Thanks for reading STReport!

Ralph...

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Computer Products Update - CPU Report

Weekly Happenings in the Computer World

Issue #05

Compiled by: Lloyd E. Pulley, Sr.

******* General Computer News *******

>> IBM Claims Outlet Store Triumph <<

IBM Corp. reports that its PC factory outlet store has exceeded sales

projections for its first year by 30%. The facility, located at the Triangle Factory Shops in Morrisville, North Carolina, was created to help the computer maker dispose of discontinued models.

After a grand opening weekend that drew 10,000 shoppers, IBM says the outlet has continued to enjoy steady interest, averaging 400 shoppers a day and beating IBM’s own sales projections for the first year.

IBM offers shoppers PC systems at 20% to 50% off their original prices. The models range from PS/1 home PCS to ValuePoint business systems, as well as notebook computers, software and accessories.

A discontinued PS/1 desktop with a 66MHz 486DX2 microprocessor, preloaded software, color monitor and other features can be purchased for less than $1,500, as can a refurbished ThinkPad 350 with color display and a 25MHz 486SL microprocessor.

>> IBM Offers New Leasing Program <<

IBM Credit Corp. has announced a PC leasing program that aims to protect customers against technological obsolescence.

With the program, qualifying customers can acquire any IBM PC system on 24-, 36-, 48- or 60-month lease terms. During the course of their lease, customers can exchange a portion of their leased systems for the most current IBM technology. Additionally, customers can take advantage of several asset management services as well as procurement, distribution and disposal tools to reduce the high life-cycle costs of a PC.

>> Windows95 to Debut After Aug.1 <<

Microsoft Corp. announced this week that its much-publicized and long-awaited Windows95 operating system will not be available before Aug. 1.

"Windows95 will not be available before August 1," said Patrick De Smedt, general manager of Microsoft NV, the firm’s Belgian unit.

Michel Vermeulen, product manager PSD Benelux, said it was likely Windows95 will be launched between Aug. 1 and mid-September. "The launch date will depend on the results of the third beta (tests) which are expected by the end of March. We want to launch a completely bugs-free product," he said.

>> NEC to Boost DRAM Production <<

NEC Corp. announced this week it will boost its output of both 4- and 16-megabit dynamic random access memory (DRAM) chips to meet surging demand for personal computers.

Reports from Tokyo say that NEC will boost its global output of 4-megabit DRAMs to 13 million units a month by March, up from the 12 million units currently being produced each month. The company last boosted its output of the mainline memory chip in late 1994 to 12 million units from 11 million units.

In addition, production of the next benchmark product, 16-megabit

DRAMs, will increase to 7 million units a month by the end of 1995. About 3 million units of the sophisticated DRAMs are now being produced.

>> GATEWAY to Pre-Load Windows 95 <<

GATEWAY 2000 Inc. says it will pre-load Microsoft Corp.'s Windows 95 on its desktops and portables when the new operating environment is available later this year.

GATEWAY officials said the company and Microsoft have signed a market development agreement that calls for worldwide partnering in marketing and technical support for Windows 95.

>> Data General Offers Hand-Held Unit <<

DataGenie is the newest member of Data General Corp.'s family of hand-held computers. The company says the water-resistant unit is suitable for use in tough environments and uses AA batteries for 200 hours of battery life, the longest in the industry.

Reports say the computer, which measures 7.5 inches by 3 inches and weighs 15 ounces, is available for $745 to end users, resellers and system integrators.

>> Faster Pentium Introduced <<

A third-generation Pentium chip set that is said to run Windows programs up to 30% faster than other similar products has been introduced by Intel Corp.

Intel officials said the Triton four-component set is available in production quantities at a cost of $41.95 each for orders of at least 10,000.

"The Triton is aimed at delivering improved performance in applications such as multimedia and video conferencing that need to operate at fast speeds."

The chip set includes versions offering memory between 4MB and 128MB and offers native signal processing technology that enables computers to run several applications, such as voice, data, telephone functions and speech recognition, at the same time.

>> IBM, Toshiba Cut Notebook Prices <<

IBM Corp. and Toshiba America Information Systems Inc have cut prices on several of their notebook computer models. The moves follow price reductions announced recently by Compaq Computer Corp. and Dell Computer Corp.

IBM says it has cut prices 5% to 24% on four models in its ThinkPad line. The new prices of the ThinkPad 755C, 755CS, 360C and 360CE represent savings of $200 to $1,200 off of IBM's PC Direct price. The four ThinkPad models are available in 17 configurations.

Toshiba has reduced prices on selected Toshiba, Satellite and

Satellite Pro color notebook computers by up to 22%.

The affected models include the Toshiba T4700CT, T4800CT and T4850CT; Satellite Pro T2400C and T2450CT; and Satellite T1960C.

>> Apple Forecasts 16 Percent Growth <<

Apple Computer Inc. has forecast it will expand 16% this year in the global personal computer market.

Michael Spindler, Apple’s chief executive officer, is reported as saying that estimates PC sales should increase to 54 million units this year, on top of the 18% growth rate in 1994 that translated into 47 million units sold.

"We do not need loans to finance this growth," Spindler told a news conference in Frankfurt, Germany.

Apple claims to be the third largest PC supplier with a market share of 8.2%. Compaq tops the list with a market share of 10.5%, ahead of IBM with 9.2%.

>> Microsoft Pledges Apple Support <<

Microsoft Corp. has told reporters and industry analysts it is firmly committed to Apple Computer Inc. systems, despite what some cite as Apple’s eroding share of the PC market.

"Macintosh is a big business for us and one that continues to grow," Microsoft Vice President Pete Higgins of the software publisher’s desktop applications division said this week, "It’s one we’re very, very happy with."

Microsoft’s Windows for IBM-compatible machines runs on at least 80% of the world’s PCS, while Apple’s Macintosh computers command less than 10% of the market.

Higgins said Microsoft’s applications such as word processors and spreadsheets for Apple computer users, reached about $400 million last year, amounting to nearly 9% of Microsoft’s total revenue of $4.6 billion.

He indicated Microsoft will nearly double the number of software titles developed for the Macintosh this year, that 11 new programs will be added to the current list of 12 titles for the Macintosh, which include Microsoft Office, Excel and PowerPoint.

>> Compaq Offers Two New Notebooks <<

Two new color models have been added to Compaq Computer Corp.’s Contura notebook computer line. The computer maker also has cut prices on selected models of its Aero line, on the Contura 400 and on the LTE Elite product line.

A statement from the firm says the new models, the Contura 410C and 410CX, both are powered by Intel Corp. 486DX/50 microprocessors and have 350MB hard drives. The 410 CX, with an 8.4-inch color display, is priced

under $2,999, and the 410C, with a 9.5-inch display, at about $2,499.

Meanwhile, the price reductions include:

-:- The Aero 4/25-170, to $999 from $1,199 and the 4/33C models 170 and 250, to $1,599 and $1,799, respectively.
-:- The Contura 400C, to $2,199 from $2,599. The Contura 400CX, to $2,699 from $3,299.
-:- The LTE Elite 4/40C-170, to $2,499 from $2,899; the 4/40CX-170 to $3,099 from $3,399; the 4/40CX-340 to $3,599 from $3,899; the 4/50CX-340 to $4,699 from $4,799; the 4/75CX-340 to $5,199 from $5,399, and the 4/75CX-510 to $5,499 from $5,799.

>> Macintosh Touchpad Announced <<

Alps Electric USA Inc. has introduced a Macintosh version of its GlidePoint touch surface pointing device.

The device uses the same technology found in the new Apple PowerBook Trackpad. The $99 GlidePoint comes with an Apple Desktop Bus (ADB) connector. Software is included to control the cursor or to program any of the three buttons.

To move the cursor on a computer’s screen, the user slides a finger across the GlidePoint’s surface. A Taps features allows users to select text and objects by tapping a finger lightly on the GlidePoint’s surface.

The GlidePoint features a 400 dpi resolution. It works with System 6.0.4 and above.

The PS/2 and serial-port versions of GlidePoint shipped last year.

>> New Newton Unveiled This Week <<

Eighteen months after the initial roll-out, Apple Computer Inc. is unveiling a new version of its Newton MessagePad hand-held computer, boosting memory, polishing the design and improving its power to communicate.

The new Newton, called the MessagePad 120 personal digital assistant (PDA), comes after an earlier revision with better handwriting recognition was released last March.

Reports say that many analysts are praising the machine’s enhanced ability to communicate through cellular and other wireless networks. Apple said it has been working with several firms, including Motorola Inc. and AT&T Corp., on new services.

The new 120 (which has been available in Germany since September) comes with 1MB of RAM for $599, or 2MB for $699. "It also sports a more readable screen and removable screen cover and comes with more software, including Pocket Quicken, a personal-finance program, in the more expensive version," the wire service says.

Also, the 120:

-:- Can accept a greater variety of optional credit-card sized

devices that let it receive data, send faxes and exchange messages.
-:- And, as with the previous version, has optional software to allow data sharing with both Macintosh and Windows-based personal computers.

>> Corel Cuts Software Prices <<

Prices have been cut on CorelDraw 3 and 4, Corel Ventura 4.2, Corel Photo-Paint 5 Plus and the Ventura 5 upgrade software, effective Wednesday.

In a statement, Corel President/CEO Michael Cowpland said the price adjustments "reflect the increased momentum for name brand software in the consumer channel."

The price changes include:

-:- CorelDraw 3 CD-ROM from $149 to $99, diskette from $199 to $149.
-:- CorelDraw 4 CD-ROM from $395 to $199, diskette from $595 to $249.
-:- Ventura CD-ROM from $199 to $99, diskette from $249 to $149.
-:- Photo-Paint 5 Plus CD-ROM from $199 to $99.
-:- Ventura 5 upgrades CD-ROM from $199 to $99.

Prices for the diskette versions of Ventura 5 and Photo- Paint 5 will remain at $249.

>> Sun Microsystem’s Solstice Debuts <<

Sun Microsystems Inc. this week will unveil a software system for managing huge, multiple network, distributed computing systems.

The new software, called Solstice, offers network system managers greater scalability, as well as control from any location.

Several other network management software products already exist on the market, including products form Hewlett-Packard, IBM Corp., and Sun. However Solstice is unique because as scalable software, it can be used to manage networks of 100 computers or hundreds of thousands of computers. It also allows administration and management of a network, including adding people to the network, from any desktop on the system and not just a centralized site.

>> Computer Tycoons Fund Space Probe <<

Money from the pockets of several computer entrepreneurs will be the primary funding source for the world’s largest radio telescope that will "eavesdrop" in the search for extraterrestrial life.

Reports are that the five-month project will begin Thursday and take advantage of a rare opportunity to use an Australian radio telescope, the biggest on Earth, to seek signs of ET.

Abandoned by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the project, with costs of $4 million annually, has received private funding from entrepreneurs William Hewlett and David Packard; Gordon Moore, co-founder and board chairman of Intel Corp.; and Paul Allen, co-founder of Microsoft Corp. and founder, chairman and chief executive officer for

Asymetrix of Bellevue, Washington.

NASA had spent a decade developing specialized equipment for the Search for Extra Terrestrial Intelligence when the federal funding of $12 million a year ended. Scientists from the nonprofit SETI Institute of Mountain View sought private funding to keep the project viable.

The scientists are searching for cosmic radio transmissions that were either deliberately broadcast in Earth's direction or inadvertently escaped from a distant planet in much the same way some of human radio, television and radar emissions unavoidably leak into space.

The radio telescope in Parkes, New South Wales, Australia, some 210 feet in diameter, will be used for what has been dubbed Project Phoenix. About 1,000 Sun-like stars will be scrutinized over the next five years. All the targeted star systems are less than 150 light-years away.

>> Software, OnLine Services Boom <<

The U.S. Census Bureau says software and OnLine services are setting the pace for the fast-growing service sector of the nation's economy.

The Census Bureau report as finding:

-:- Sales of prepackaged software jumped 253% between 1987 and 1992.
-:- Information retrieval service is the second fastest growing category, up 229%, reflecting the growth in OnLine computer services.

Putting this in perspective, the 1992 Census of Service Industries says overall the service segment of American business totaled $1.6 trillion, up 59% from the previous count. The service sector provided 20 million jobs, up 4.8 million from 1987. About half of the service jobs were in health care.

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LottoMan Version 1.23

LottoMan 1.23 is truly superb. In the course of using LottoMan for the last three weeks, six three number sets and one four number set have come in playing Florida's Lotto. The program is the "_The Lotto Players Program_". As for its features and functions well they are far too numerous to mention in one article so, we are going to do things a little differently with this program. Since we too, play Lotto, (doesn't everybody?) We'll keep you informed of our successes on a weekly basis. So far the program has produced minor winners every week that we've been using it. If you are a lotto player, you _need_ LottoMan. Its available for D/L on CompuServe and most popular OnLine Networks and many private BBS systems. LottoMan is shareware and shareware at its very best. This program is well worth the D/L. And the shareware fee.

Program Requirements

This program requires Windows Version 3.1 or later, an 80386 (or better) computer with 4 meg of memory and 5.5 meg of free hard disk space.

First time users will need to download the files LTTMN1.ZIP, LTTMN2.ZIP and LTTMN3.ZIP. Extract each file to a blank floppy disk or one temporary directory on your hard drive. Run SETUP.EXE.

If you have installed an older version of LottoMan already, you need only download the file LTTMN3.ZIP and extract it to one blank floppy or temporary directory. Run UPGRADE.EXE.

LottoMan is a shareware program. It is not free. You can register OnLine via GO SWREG #3604

New In LottoMan v1.23

* New Edit/Select Feature

  Select by last N records option

* New Number Wheel Method

  Hat Trick easy custom wheel function

* New Tables Menu Options

  Number History By Pick, Pool Depth By Pick, Pool Depth By Game, Repeat Winners, Sector History, Unit Sums

* Improved fonts

  Cleaned up fonts in the history table in the main view and the perpetual calendar in the number editor

* On/Off Indicators for Buttons

The Pick Control buttons in the main view, the draw day buttons in the Game/Edit option and the live dates in the perpetual calendar used a three-d up/down look to indicate if the option was on or off. This version adds a red/green indicator to make it easier to see which state is active.

* Automated upgrading

  Upgrading from old versions is now handled via the UPGRADE.EXE program in place of extracting and copying files by hand.

LottoMan Version 1.23 Feature List

* Any game from 2 to 6 picks with up to 2 bonus digits between 0 & 99.

* Both ordered daily type games and unordered lotto type games

* Draw histories for most state lotteries (see current history list below)

* Unlimited data size or number of user plays in the databases

* Complete data import, export and printing

* Full graphing capabilities including printing of all graphs on Windows compatible printers

* Analysis by age, delta, frequency and/or trend in any combination

* Vector analysis provides accurate forecasts on up/down movement direction and distance for each pick

* Detailed analysis tables for Number History By Game, Number Association between draws, Pairs, Triads, Doubles, Triples, Quads, Partitions, Ones Digits, Tens Digits, Duplication Patterns, Number History By Pick, Pool Depth By Pick, Pool Depth By Game, Repeat Winners, Sector History, Unit Sums

* Full featured number wheel with built in QP wheels, exhaustive wheels, guaranteed win wheels, hat tricks and subset selection

* Custom wheels are fully supported, includes several sample custom wheels for pick 3, pick 4 and lotto

* Complete play filtering for hi/low, odd/even, previous wins, ones digit duplication, tens digit duplication and number of repeating digits

* Exhaustive self test mode to aid you in finding the methods and controls that produce winning numbers

* Over 1.5meg of in-depth OnLine help and play theory

* Multi-media sound support

* Permits registered users to upgrade their copies by downloading this shareware version

* Automated upgrading

Data provided with LottoMan Version 1.23

Arizona	Fantasy 5	11/01/91 - 10/29/93
	Lotto	07/05/89 - 10/27/93
Austria	Lotto	01/03/93 - 10/09/94
California	Pick 3	04/13/92 - 01/12/95
	Fantasy 5	02/04/92 - 10/21/94
	Super Lotto	12/18/91 - 10/22/94
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Colorado	Lotto	01/28/89 - 10/27/93
DC	Quick Cash	05/01/89 - 10/27/93
Delaware	Evening Pick 3	01/02/80 - 01/14/95
	Midday Pick 3	05/18/93 - 01/14/95
	Lotto	11/25/88 - 10/26/93
Florida	Pick 3	04/29/88 - 01/22/95
	Pick 4	10/22/94 - 01/20/95
	Fantasy 5	04/31/93 - 01/20/95
	Lotto	05/07/88 - 01/21/95
Georgia	Pick 3	08/10/93 - 01/20/95
	Fantasy 5	11/18/94 - 01/20/95
	Lotto	09/18/93 - 01/14/95
Idaho	Fantastic 5	09/21/90 - 10/12/93
Illinois	Midday Pick 3	12/20/93 - 11/08/94
	Evening Pick 3	03/14/83 - 11/09/94
	Little Lotto	06/01/88 - 10/21/94
	Lotto	05/07/88 - 10/22/94
Indiana	Lotto	05/05/90 - 09/25/93
Iowa	Lotto	07/19/89 - 10/30/93
Kansas	Lotto	06/04/88 - 10/22/94
Kentucky	Cash 5	10/11/91 - 10/21/94
	Lotto	10/21/89 - 10/22/94
Louisiana	Pick 3	10/22/94 - 11/18/94
	Lotto	02/01/92 - 11/12/94
Maryland	Match 5	10/11/91 - 01/15/95
	Lotto	05/19/90 - 01/14/95

Massachusetts	Numbers Game	10/22/94 - 01/20/95
	Cash 5	03/28/91 - 01/19/95
	Megabucks	04/03/91 - 01/18/95
	Millions	04/02/91 - 01/20/95
Michigan	Pick 3	01/01/80 - 01/21/95
	Pick 4	10/08/81 - 01/21/95
	Cash 5	03/20/92 - 01/20/95
	Lotto	12/06/89 - 01/18/95
Minnesota	Gopher 5	05/24/91 - 01/20/95
Missouri	SuperCash 5	01/20/92 - 10/22/94
	Lotto	07/12/89 - 10/22/94
Montana	Lotto	05/11/91 - 10/31/93
New Jersey	Pick 3	08/01/94 - 01/02/95
	Pick 4	08/01/94 - 01/02/95
	Cash 5	10/07/92 - 12/30/94
	Pick 6	01/02/89 - 01/02/95
New York	Daily	09/01/94 - 01/20/95
	Win 4	08/01/94 - 01/20/95
	Take 5	01/17/92 - 01/20/95
	Lotto 54	01/16/88 - 01/18/95
New Hampshire	Lotto	05/11/91 - 10/31/95
Ohio	Pick 3	01/01/80 - 01/21/95
	Pick 4	04/09/81 - 01/21/95
	Cash 5	05/05/92 - 01/20/95
	Lotto	01/12/91 - 01/18/95
Pennsylvania	Daily Number	09/06/93 - 01/18/95
	Big 4 Daily	12/18/90 - 01/15/95
	Cash 5	04/23/92 - 01/12/95
	Wild Card Lotto	12/19/88 - 01/13/95
Powerball		04/22/92 - 01/18/95
Rhode Island	Lot-O-Bucks	08/07/84 - 10/28/93
Texas	Pick 3	10/25/93 - 01/20/95
	Lotto	11/14/92 - 01/18/95
Tri-State	Cash 5	04/28/92 - 10/18/94
	Megabucks	09/14/85 - 10/22/94
Tri-West	Lotto	02/26/94 - 11/16/94
Vermont	Lotto	06/02/90 - 10/29/93
Virginia	Pick 3	05/22/89 - 01/21/95
	Pick 4	09/30/91 - 01/21/95
	Cash 5	02/05/93 - 01/21/95
	Lotto	01/27/90 - 01/21/95
West Virginia	Pick 3	01/01/91 - 11/30/94

	Pick 4	01/01/91 - 11/30/94
	Cash 25	02/09/90 - 10/29-93
Wisconsin	SuperCash	07/10/90 - 07/09/93

LottoMan v1.23 Bug Fixes

Tables Options: GPF error

This version of LottoMan fixes the GPF bug in the Tables menu options and a great many other "odd" behaviors related to that bug. This error was typically encountered when running tables on small data sets. The odd behaviors appeared with larger data sets.

Filter By Ones digits

A subtle bug in the Filter Your Plays option for filtering plays based on Ones digits was uncovered. The Ones digits option was using the settings for the ten digits in making it’s filtering choices.

800x600 Main View Table Length

In this one mode, the history table appeared as 26 lines in place of the normal 25 and there were associated problems with draw selection, editing and deletion.

> PERFECTOFFICE 3.0 STR Spotlight

NOVELL SHIPS PERFECTOFFICE 3.0 FOR WINDOWS

PerfectOffice 3.0, Novell’s first desktop applications suite is available on retail shelves.

PerfectOffice 3.0 combines WordPerfect, the best-selling word processor of all time, with award-winning applications in six different categories. The new product goes beyond traditional suites by offering superior program integration with PerfectFit technology, task automation with the first cross-application scripting language and network benefits for both end users and IS managers. PerfectOffice 3.0 is also the first suite to include workgroup publishing tools for collaborative computing across networks.

PerfectOffice 3.0 has already received industry acclaim since its announcement in June 1994. PC/Computing gave the product a 4.5 (out of five) star rating, the highest score in its suite review (November 1994) and called it "the best all-around suite for integration." The Nov. 14, 1994 issue of InfoWorld claimed that the product "has a definite shot at the office suite title." The Oct. 25 issue of PC Magazine predicted that "PerfectOffice may well change what we expect from suites." The January

issue of PC World reports that PerfectOffice has "the best integration we've seen yet in suite products."

"We are thrilled to see such a tremendous early response to this product," said Ad Rietveld, president of WordPerfect, the Novell Applications Group. "We are confident that PerfectOffice offers the best integrated software solution on the market and will begin to define the next generation of network applications."

Beta Users Discover Innovations in PerfectOffice

"The installation routine was easy, especially for a network administrator," said Tim Hickernell of Commonwealth Edison Co. in Chicago. "It provides centralized management of user defaults in far more detail than in other suites."

"The user interface makes sense," said Bruce Norton of Norton Innovation in Lititz, Pennsylvania. "There are QuickTasks and Experts all over the place so you can spend more time using the product and less time learning it."

"The scripting language, PerfectScript, is like nothing else I've seen in other office suites," said Paul Dalton, of Jackson & Walker, a Texas law firm. "It's a really nice, easy-to-learn, cross-application approach."

Two Versions of PerfectOffice Now Shipping

PerfectOffice is now shipping in two versions Standard and Professional. PerfectOffice Standard includes the following products:

WordPerfect 6.1	(word processor)
Quattro Pro 6.0	(spreadsheet)
Presentations 3.0	(presentation graphics)
InfoCentral 1.1	(personal information manager)
Envoy 1.0	(workgroup publishing tool)
GroupWise 4.1 client license	(integrated e-mail, calendaring and scheduling)

PerfectOffice Professional will include all of the above products as well as Borland International's Paradox 5.0, a relational database, and Novell AppWare (formerly Visual AppBuilder), a fifth-generation visual custom development tool.

A third version, PerfectOffice Select, will offer the industry's first "create your own" suite solution and is scheduled for release in first quarter 1995. Using new CD-ROM- based technology, customers will be able to select from any of the applications in the Standard and Professional versions, as well as certain Novell GroupWare applications, WordPerfect Main Street products, and a variety of integrated third-party applications.

PerfectFit Integration Dramatically Improves Ease of Learning

PerfectFit technology provides each of the PerfectOffice components with unparalleled program integration including a consistent user interface, common tools, and PerfectScript, the first cross-application

scripting language to be included in a suite. Each of the programs in PerfectOffice shares consistent toolbars, pull-down menus and common key dialog boxes. PerfectFit ensures that each PerfectOffice program looks and feels alike, so users can easily learn each of the applications.

PerfectFit technology also provides PerfectOffice users with the most extensive set of common suite tools in the industry. The speller, thesaurus, drawing module, grammar checker, file manager, Coaches, Experts and QuickCorrect feature are shared among applications. In addition to consistency, users benefit from conservation of system resources and memory.

In addition to PerfectFit technology, PerfectOffice is the first suite to offer support for Object Linking and Embedding (OLE) 2.0 functionality in five applications. Users can easily drag and drop data among PerfectOffice programs. With "in-place" editing, users can edit "objects" (such as a Quattro Pro spreadsheet) directly from WordPerfect or other PerfectOffice applications.

QuickTasks Help Users Focus on Tasks Rather than Applications

PerfectOffice goes beyond the traditional ease-of-use features found in competing suites to automate entire tasks for users, independent of individual applications. New QuickTasks, accessible from the Desktop Application Director (DAD), automatically perform simple and complex tasks directly from the desktop, letting users concentrate on tasks rather than applications. QuickTasks don’t force the user to open individual applications in order to get work done. Users can access more than 50 QuickTasks to automatically create letters, faxes, spreadsheets and slide shows; update InfoCentral records; schedule meetings; open e-mail; generate mail merges or perform other common tasks. Users can also use the QuickTask Expert to create their own customized QuickTasks.

PerfectOffice Leverages the Network to Help Users Work Together Better

"The merger of WordPerfect and Novell, and the acquisition of Quattro Pro, has helped the new Novell create the industry’s first network suite," said Mark Calkins, general manager of Novell’s Business Applications Division. "Being the first network suite means much more than just running on a network. PerfectOffice is the first suite to begin to integrate network and workgroup services with desktop applications, making it the best solution for end users, as well as for system administrators who manage software across an enterprise."

PerfectOffice is the only suite to include a workgroup publishing tool for collaborative computing. Envoy lets users electronically view, annotate and distribute documents across the network while keeping all graphic design elements intact even if they don’t have the software that was used to create the document. The innovative compression technology in Envoy often reduces files to one-third their size, conserving network resources as documents are distributed.

PerfectOffice integrates all of its products with GroupWise, Novell’s leading GroupWare solution. From within each of the PerfectOffice applications, users can access GroupWise to send e- mail, schedule personal and group appointments, check calendars, and assign and manage workgroup tasks.

For system administrators, PerfectOffice supports Novell's NetWare Navigator, giving them the ability to easily install and update software across a network. PerfectOffice includes two network installation models: the Corporate model allows administrators to control the settings for an enterprise from a central location and the Professional model lets users define their own settings.

Industry's Best Toll-Free Customer Support

Novell is the only software vendor to offer toll-free, no- fee support for its business applications (Microsoft and Lotus offer toll support only). PerfectOffice users can receive six months of toll-free, no-fee Classic Service, after which they can choose from a variety of other support options.

Pricing and System Requirements

During the period December 1, 1994 to March 31, 1995, the Standard Upgrade packages in both 3.5" disk and CD versions will be offered at special introductory pricing of approximately $199 in stores and $209 directly from Novell. The Standard Tradeup packages in both 3.5" disk and CD versions will be offered at approximately $239 in stores and $249 directly from Novell.

For new users, the suggested retail price of PerfectOffice Standard is $659 (US). The suggested retail price of PerfectOffice Professional is $859 (US), upgrade price is $359 (US) and users of competitive products can upgrade for a suggested retail price of $399 (US).

PerfectOffice requires a 386-25MHz machine or better with 8MB RAM, and Windows 3.1 or higher.

For more information about PerfectOffice 3.0 for Windows, customers can call (800) 451-5151.

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What is PCNet-OnLine?

The PC Users Network started over a decade ago as the IBM Users Network or IBMNET. While not affiliated with IBM it was an authorized IBM users group and at the time the IBM PC was about the only "IBM compatible" computer available.

Over the years compatibles became major players and the scope of the forums expanded to include all PCS. After a lot of consideration and despite the goodwill associated with the old name we elected to change it to reflect the true nature of the forums.

Nothing else has changed, you'll still find the same folks and same excellent shareware and the "old" IBMNET forum "go" words will continue to work just fine.

If you're just hooking up with PCNet-OnLine don't be confused when you see references to the old IBMNET forums, the "go" words, libraries and other references will stuff apply.

What are we?

We are a group of PC users that have a special interest in all aspects of personal computers. In addition to our message and conference areas you'll find a wide variety of excellent software in our libraries. The Forums are very similar to a users group although you have access 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Beyond your hourly CompuServe connect charge there's no additional fee associated with your membership in PCNet-OnLine.

Each PCNet-OnLine forum can be accessed from the GO PCNET menu or you can use the GO navigational command to go directly to the forum. The GO "quick reference word" for each forum is included in the area descriptions that follow:

PC New User's Forum/Welcome Center - GO PCNEW

If you're just getting started with the PC or with downloading and the various file types this is the best place to start. You'll get fast responses to your questions, find special files that will help you get the most out of CompuServe, hints and tips on reading messages and downloading.

The old sawbuck about "The only dumb question is the one not asked" applies here! Don't be shy, there's no need to struggle through a problem that's been solved many times before. You'll find very helpful members who will do their best to quickly resolve any problems.

PC Hardware Forum - GO PCHW

Have a question about a piece of equipment? Can't get that printer to work? Would you like a viewpoint from another user on a particular piece of equipment before you plunk down your money? The PC Hardware Forum is our area for discussing hardware related issues. In addition to reviews and other comments on hardware, there are hardware diagnostic programs, hardware specific utilities (printer utilities, disk managers, special video programs and drivers) and other hardware specific software in the libraries.

The PC Hardware forum also has a special section for mainframes that spans both hardware and software.

PC Applications Forum - GO PCAPP

Here you'll find the "core" applications for the PC; word processing, data base management, business and personal accounting, business graphics, desk top publishing, educational software and much more. You'll find most "mainstream" applications in the libraries of this forum.

PC Utilities/Systems Forum - GO PCUTIL

Here you'll find the latest and greatest in general utilities and information on the various operating systems and environments available for the PC including Windows and OS/2. In the libraries here you'll find various utility programs including operating system additions, power tools, desktop utilities and all those small (and sometimes not so small) programs that make living with the PC easier.

PC Programming Forum - GO PCPROG

If it concerns programming for the PC the Programming forum is for you. Assemblers, source code in a variety of languages and help from fellow members can be found here. PCPROG not only contains valuable information for experienced programmers but also contain hints, tips and tutorials for those just starting to program.

PC Communications Forum - GO PCCOM

The Communications Forum bridges two areas; hardware and software. In this Forum you'll find discussions on how to use various communications programs and hardware. In the data libraries, you'll see the best public domain and shareware communications software available, including one of the best CompuServe specific programs going; Autosig (and it's free to boot!).

PC Bulletin Board Forum - GO PCBBS

The BBS forum contains bulletin board programs, utilities, door programs and the discussion of issues concerning bulletin board operators and users. You'll find a wide variety of bulletin board programs, bulletin board utilities and helpful advice from other bulletin board operators if you currently run a board or plenty of getting started advice if you're interested in starting one.

PC Fun Forum - GO PCFUN

The Fun forum is just that, loads of outstanding entertainment related files ranging from the very latest graphic wonders, music related programs, arcade shoot 'em ups to classic adventure games.

If you're looking for some stress reduction or to just put your feet up on the desk and have some fun this is the place to find it.

Shareware/ASP Forum - GO ASPFORUM

The Association of Shareware Professionals (ASP) is a non-profit group has dedicated itself to educating computer users about the "try before you buy" software marketing concept and set standards for the author and user community. If you'd like some info on shareware, joining the ASP or just want to discuss shareware issues drop by and add your two cents.

PC Vendor Forums

The PC Vendor Forums started as an experiment in using the multiple sections of the forum software to multiple vendors to share a forum to provide support for their products through the electronic medium.

The original PC Vendor forum (PCVENA) proved to be so popular the concept has been expanded into multiple additional forums. New vendors are added frequently and you can use the Support Directory (GO SUPPORT) to search for product support locations.

PC File Finder - GO PCFF

If you finding a specific file seems daunting there is a special database containing information on all PCNet-OnLine and most PC related forum files. The PC File Finder will allow you to search on filename or keyword or use a variety of search methods that will help you quickly locate files of interest.

Other PCNet-OnLine Tips and Hints

All uploads to PCNet-OnLine are carefully checked before being made available to members. Since our members are the source of our library files it’s a perfect opportunity to communicate your likes and dislikes directly to the author. For more info on the libraries please consult the library announcement in each forum.

The PCNET-OnLine Forums are independent and are not affiliated with any specific vendor.

If you have any problems getting started in PCNET please GO PCNEW and review the announcements and help files there. If you have any questions the SysOps are here to help, so be sure and post a message if you run into a problem.

SysOp Don Watkins [76703,750]

> ProCom Plus 2.1 STR InfoFile
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DATASTORM will release on February 13, 1995, PROCOMM PLUS for Windows version 2.1--an update to our best selling product. Registered users of PROCOMM PLUS for Windows 2.0 can acquire the update for free.

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4. Order a disk and printed supplement guide direct from DATASTORM ($7.50 shipping & handling)

> OPTIMIZING MEMORY STR FOCUS! MAKING THE 640K PIA WORK FOR YOU!
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As promised.. Here are the boot up files used for the STR systems.

With these files and the expert help of Staff member Glenwood Drake, getting these files set-up properly was relatively easy. We now boot both systems with 632k free and 27k or more still free in high memory.

Remember, this is all out the first mb which is where it all "takes place".

AUTOEXEC.BAT

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@ECHO OFF
SET PCTOOLS=h:\pctools\data
SET BLASTER=A220 I10 D1 H6 P300 E620 T6
SET SOUND=D:\SB16
SET MIDI=SYNTH:1 MAP:E MODE:0
prompt $P$G
SET DIRCMD=/O /P
H:\DOS\MODE CON: RATE=30 DELAY=1
D:\SB16\DIAGNOSE /S
D:\SB16\AWEUTIL /S
D:\SB16\SB16SET /P /Q
SET MSINPUT=H:\MSINPUT
PATH H:\DOS;H:\PCTOOLS;H:\POP;C:\BATCH;C:\WINDOWS;H:\PKWARE;D:\SB16
LH H:\MSINPUT\MOUSE\MOUSE.EXE /Q
PATH=%PATH%;
SET TEMP=C:\TEMP
SET TMP=C:\TEMP
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CONFIG.SYS

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BUFFERS=10,0
FILES=40
DOS=UMB,HIGH
BREAK=ON
LASTDRIVE=S
STACKS=0,0
SHELL=H:\DOS\COMMAND.COM H:\DOS\ /E:512 /p
DEVICE=H:\DOS\HIMEM.SYS /TESTMEM:OFF
DEVICE=H:\DOS\EMM386.EXE HIGHSCAN I=C800-EFFF I=B000-B7FF FRAME=C800 RAM
DEVICEHIGH=C:\SCSI\ASPI4DOS.SYS /f12 /n4
DEVICEHIGH=C:\SCSI\ASPIDISK.SYS /D
DEVICEHIGH=C:\WINDOWS\IFSHLP.SYS
INSTALLHIGH=H:\DOS\MSCDEX.EXE /D:MTMIDE01 /D:MSCD001 /M:8 /E
INSTALLHIGH= H:\DOS\SMARTDRV.EXE 2048 256 /X
DEVICEHIGH=H:\DOS\MTMCDA.SYS /D:MTMIDE01
DEVICEHIGH=H:\TEAC\TEAC_CDA.SYS /D:MSCD001 /P:220 /T:0
DEVICEHIGH=C:\WINDOWS\TWAIN\IX4015\SI4A.SYS
REM DEVICE=D:\SB16\DRV\CSP.SYS /UNIT=0 /BLASTER=A:220
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And now, the same two files for the STReport Support BBS system:

AUTOEXEC.BAT

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@ECHO OFF
SET BLASTER=A220 I2 D1 T4
SET SOUND=C:\SBPRO
C:\SBPRO\SBP-SET /M:12 /VOC:12 /CD:12 /FM:12
PATH
C:\DOS;C:\WINDOWS;C:\MACH32;C:\MSINPUT;C:\PCTOOLS;C:\IM;C:\MOUSE;C:\BATCH;
D:\WILDCAT;D:\WM40;C:\FM;C:\PKWARE;C:\
prompt $P$G
SET DIRCMD=/O /P
C:\DOS\MODE CON:RATE=30 DELAY=1
LH C:\DOS\SHARE
SET MSINPUT=C:\MSINPUT
LH C:\MSINPUT\MOUSE\MOUSE.EXE /Q
SET TEMP=C:\TEMP
SET TMP=C:\TEMP
SET IM=C:\IM
SET WILDMAIL=D:\WM40
SET FILEMGR=C:\FM
SET WCNODEID=1
SET DIRCMD=/O /P
CAT

CONFIG.SYS
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BUFFERS=10,0
FILES=40
DOS=UMB,HIGH
BREAK=ON
LASTDRIVE=P
STACKS=0,0
SHELL=C:\DOS\COMMAND.COM C:\DOS\ /E:512 /P
DEVICE=C:\DOS\HIMEM.SYS /TESTMEM:OFF
DEVICE=C:\DOS\EMM386.EXE HIGHSCAN I=C800-EFFF I=B000-B7FF FRAME=C800 RAM
INSTALLHIGH=C:\DOS\SMARTDRV.EXE 2048 256 /X
DEVICEHIGH=C:\SCSI\ASPI4DOS.SYS /F12 /N4
DEVICEHIGH=C:\SCSI\ASPIDISK.SYS /D
INSTALLHIGH=C:\DOS\MSCDEX.EXE /D:CD70001 /L:H /M:8 /E
DEVICEHIGH=C:\CD7\CD7ASPI.SYS /N:7 /D:CD70001
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The key expression in both setups is:

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EMM386.EXE HIGHSCAN I=C800-EFFF I=B000-B7FF FRAME=C800 RAM
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Try this expression. Of course, you must fit it into your config.sys file. That should be easy. Its yield, as far as memory is concerned, will surprise you. If you have any questions send them along and we'll do our best to get right back to you.

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John Deegan, Editor (Temp)

> DIGITAL'95 Conference STR FOCUS!
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Digital '95 Conference

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Watch for more details:
http://sunsite.unc.edu/nppa/dig95.html

The theme of this year's conference is preparing yourself for a smooth ride on the information superhighway.

Print publications of all types are beginning to offer text and photos to readers in new electronic forms, including OnLine services, bulletin boards, The Internet's World Wide Web and interactive multi-media such as CD-ROM. Photographers, photo editors and systems managers are looking beyond the basics of scanning to more powerful ways of managing images and networks that will serve the needs of pagination systems and OnLine information sources.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 1 should be your travel day. The registration desk will be open from noon to 5:30 p.m. and the opening reception (cash bar) with hors d'oeuvres will run from 6 to 8 p.m.

The program begins on Thursday, March 2 with three general sessions and two breakout sessions. Friday will feature two general sessions and three breakout sessions. Most breakout sessions will repeated.

The vendor show runs 9 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and 9 a.m. to 12 p.m on Saturday.

WHO WILL SPEAK?

See the below for a list of the major general sessions and the breakout sessions.

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PROGRAM CONTENT

THE BRAVE NEW WORLD

OF ONLINE NEWSPAPERS Kurt Foss of the University of Wisconsin moderates a panel of editors of OnLine newspapers, exploring why some have chosen to go with commercial services, some have set up their own dial-in systems, and others have put their systems on the World Wide Web of the Internet. And they'll talk about the strategic reasons they have chosen to be the pioneers.

Foss and his panelists will also gaze into the future and speculate how high bandwidth networks and ever more sophisticated "information appliances" will change the direction of these OnLine offerings.

GROUND BREAKING MULTIMEDIA

Rick Smolan, producer of the best-selling CD-ROM "From Alice to Ocean" and the "Day in the Life" book series, shows a preview of his soon-to-be released project "Passage to Vietnam."

Smolan took seventy of the world's top photojournalists to Vietnam and had unprecedented access to produce this in-depth profile of the country today. The project includes a book, an interactive CD-ROM and a high definition television program. Planned from the outset as a multimedia project, the CD takes interactivity to new levels, featuring an editing sessions with magazine photo editors and a virtual tour of the careers of some of the leading photojournalists who worked on the project.

DO YOU KNOW THE WAY IN SAN JOSE?

David Yarnold, worked his way up through the graphics department to recently become managing editor of the San Jose Mercury.

Yarnold has built a graphics team that won so many picture editing awards in the 1993 Pictures of the Year we can't list them all. He'll chair a panel that includes A.M.E. for Graphics Bryan Monroe, Director of Photography Geri Migielicz, Features Design Director Nuri Ducassi and Picture Editor Sue Morrow. Yarnold and company will talk about the role of leadership in building a quality visual product and how to structure the newsroom to bring about that success.

They'll also share their thoughts about how the newsroom will interact with the paper's Mercury Center OnLine effort.

ARCHIVING

David Cole, newsroom veteran and publisher of the "Cole Papers," assembles a panel of experts to assess the state of the art in archiving and image management.

DIGITAL CAMERAS

A panel of manufacturers, moderated by Shelly Katz, a Dallas-based

freelancer, will discuss their cameras and the state of this emerging technology.

AP-LEAF USERS GROUP

Join the top managers of AP photo technology to find out what's coming down the road in term of picture delivery and dialup access to the AP Preserver. Craig Porter, Assistant Director of Photography at the Detroit Free Press, will moderate the session.

MACINTOSH TRAINING

Sign up for beginning or intermediate training in PhotoShop and QuarkXpress. New this year, learn how to cruise the Internet via World Wide Web browsers.

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS

(partial list; most sessions repeated)

OnLine newspapers: Chris Gulker of the San Francisco Examiner tells how the newspaper strike presented an opportunity for the Electric Examiner on the Internet.

Photo Editing: Eric Meskauskas explains how the New York Daily News uses Photo CD technology to scan 60-80 rolls of film a day and how it impacts the editing process.

Archiving: Hal Buell and staff demonstrate the dial-up AP Preserver coming soon; browse AP's photo database, download directly by modem or order deliver via Photostream.

Systems Editors: Jeff Adams of the Dayton Daily News moderates a trio of sessions: Introduction to Local Area Networking; Constructing an On-Ramp to the Information Highway and Newspaper Database: One Size Fits All.

Photography: Former Geographic photographer Jim Sugar on how digital imaging fits into the career of a freelancer.

Image Management: Jerome McClendon of the Los Angeles Times explains what technology he uses to manage what is probably the largest desktop operation in American newspapers.

Calibration: Los Angeles Times Quality Assurance manager Mike Feasey talks about the tools he uses to maintain consistency from scanner to monitor to image setter to press.

Multimedia: Brian Masck and Grover Sanschagrin of the Michigan PPA on producing your first CD-ROM.

Photo editing: Scott Henry of the Marin (CA) Independent Journal explains his secrets for trolling the Internet for story and picture ideas. Henry is Director of Photography and database coordinator for the paper.

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ATARI/JAG SECTION (III)

Dana Jacobson, Editor

> From the Atari Editor's Desk "Saying it like it is!"

Shudder! Thar's a blast of chilly air coming down from the north that's making things feel like winter is really here. Ironic, isn't it!? I was hoping that we'd continue the nice calm form of winter that we've been experiencing. Oh well...

It's been fairly quiet, an understatement, on the computing side of things. We're keeping you up to-date on the latest announcements as they arrive, as well as other interesting tidbits of industry news as they happen.

Also, CIS Editor Joe Mirando keeps us informed with helpful hints as found on CompuServe, in his "People Are Talking" column each week.

So, as the news makes its way to us in one form or another, we'll get it to you. I, like you, wish that there was a plethora of news to report that we'd have to suppress some each week due to lack of space. Wouldn't that be a novel idea!?

On with the show! Until next time...

Delphi's Atari Advantage!!
TOP TEN DOWNLOADS (2/2/95)

(1) CD-ROM LIST *(6) ONLY! VALENCY & WORLD CONQUEST

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 (2) ICD ADSCSI ST SOFTWARE        *(7) 2 COLUMNS, VERSION 6
*(3) PANIC 1994!                   *(8) BMP FILE VIEWER
*(4) TETRIS/COLUMNS GAME COMBO     *(9) ATARIWORKS PAGE PREVIEW
*(5) GENEVA SECRETS               *(10) ERROR CODES AND BOMBS

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                           HONORARY TOP 10
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The following on-line magazines are always top downloads, frequently out-performing every other file in the databases.

STREPORT (Current issue: STREPORT 11.04)
ATARI EXPLORER ONLINE (Current issue: AEO: VOLUME 4, ISSUE 1)
Look for the above files in the RECENT ARRIVALS database.

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LLLLL TOAD Computers!
LLLLLL Branch Always Software!

LLLLLLL Cybercube Research (Cyrel)!
LLLLLLLL DMC Publishing!
LLLLLLLLL Scarborough Computers!
LLLLLLLLLL Missionware Software!
LLLLLLLLLLL ICD INC/4Play/Black Cat Designs!
LLLLLLLLLLLL It's All Relative!
LLLLLLLLLLLLL ABC Solutions!
LLLLLLLLLLLLLL Esquimalt Digital Logic (OMEN)!
LLLLLLLLLLLLLLL GEnie Information Services!
LLLLLLLLLLLLLLLL Suzy B's Software (& CDS)!
LLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLL chro_Magic!
LLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLL Clear Thinking!
LLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLL Schauzmoll Software (Orbit BBS formerly
LLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLL Oracle - the first GUI BBS for Atari)!
LLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLLL Anodyne Software (ExtenDOS)!

THE LIST IS GETTING LONGER!! More and more Exhibitors are signing on! We're looking forward to CGS Computerbild's presence too, as well as Oregon Research Associates, COMPO, Migraph, Lexicor, C-LAB and *many* more!!

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We're getting a *great* response from User Groups. There are quite a few Groups mobilizing their members into travel packs (packs of Atari users? Look Out!!), and making plans to attend ACE'95. Carloads from Nova Scotia, North Carolina, Alberta, Pennsylvania, Quebec, New York, Ontario, Ohio, Manitoba, Michigan and many more points North, South, East & West. Why not consider car-pooling with some of your own User Group members?

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ACE'95 is being held in the NORTH YORK CIVIC CENTER, 5110 Yonge St. in Toronto, Canada - April 1-2, 1995. The Exhibition is located in the Civic Center Complex at the MEMORIAL HALL EXHIBITION FACILITY! Show hours are: Saturday April 1 - 9AM-6PM & Sunday April 2 - 9AM-5PM. Tickets are $6 per day at the door (or in advance) & $10 for a Weekend Pass at the door (or in advance). If you place a phone/mail order for tickets, we will have them available for you at the door when you arrive. Please also call us for Hotel reservations at the Novotel (located at the ACE'95 Show Site (in the Civic Center Complex)! We have a large block of rooms set aside just for ACE'95. We can also suggest other hotels/motels in the area!

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Getting to ACE'95 is *easy*. Toronto is directly accessed by Highway 401 or the Queen Elizabeth Way, or Highway 400/69. Crossing the US/Canada border at Detroit, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Ft. Erie, Ogdensburg, Kingston, etc. will lead you directly to Highway 401 or the Queen Elizabeth Way. Take the Yonge St. Ramp north off the 401 and drive to 5110 Yonge St. If you take the Queen Elizabeth Way, follow the signs to get to highway 401. *ANY* AAA or CAA or other Motor League can provide you with a map of Ontario, Canada and Toronto. Please call us if you have any trouble! Pearson International Airport is only 15 minutes away! Toronto Transit subway access is direct, too - there's a subway stop at the Civic Center!
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~~ Howard Carson, ACE'95 Chief Organizer ~~~

> STR InfoBits
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-/- Survey: Computer Phobia Fading -/-

A new survey suggests computer phobia is fast becoming a thing of the past.

Reporting on its recent nationwide poll of 1,000 adults age 18 to 60, EDK Forecast, a newsletter that tracks women consumers' attitudes, lifestyles and values, says it found:

-:- 74 percent of the sample use computers either at work or at home and 37 percent have computers in both places.
-:- 82 percent think that in the next decade most households will have to own a computer.
-:- 68 percent think computers already are making their lives easier.
-:- A mere 6 percent say they fear they will ruin something when

they use a computer.
-:- Only 16 percent said they have no idea how to use one at all.
-:- 41 percent are enthusiastically exploring computers, but almost as many (37 percent) aren't as interested in new functions as they are in just ensuring that their machines work.

"There's no gender gap in the wonderful world of computing," publisher Ethel Klein said in a statement from New York. "Women are just as likely as men to embark on a 'computer safari.' Age and education level are the real indicators of computer literacy."

The statement says middle age also doesn't preclude computer fascination, noting that the survey suggested 44 percent of Americans age 50 to 60 were interested in learning more about computers.

"For many," the statement said, "cyberspace is the unexplored final frontier. About half (49 percent) of computer users are ready to go 'where no one has gone before' -- including 38 percent who are ready to get on the 'information superhighway' and 11 percent who already are on it and searching for the passing lane. But 37 percent of computer users admit that they are not even sure what 'information superhighway' means."

-/- Feds Won't Press Piracy Charges -/-

In Boston, federal prosecutors have decided not to press charges against a 21-year-old Rockville, Maryland, college student accused of running the biggest software piracy scheme in history.

Last April, David LaMacchia, a computer science major at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was indicted for allegedly running a bulletin board system that gave users free copies of more than $1 million worth of copyrighted software.

However, as reported earlier, U.S. District Court Judge Richard Stearns last month threw out the indictment, saying federal law covers only piracy committed for profit or personal gain, and that LaMacchia had committed no crime by giving away the expensive programs via the Internet.

Now U.S. Attorney Donald Stern has told United Press International he won't appeal the judge's ruling, though he believes the case "underscores the desirability of prompt congressional action which would remove any uncertainty that willful, multiple infringements of copyrighted software, even where there is no commercial motive, is illegal."

The attorney said he will urge Congress to toughen the law to make the theft of copyrighted computer software a federal crime, whether it's stolen for profit or not.

As noted, LaMacchia is alleged to have used an MIT computer lab to run his BBS. UPI says the declines to say whether it will take disciplinary action against him now that the case is over.

JAGUAR SECTION
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Cannon Fodder! Zool2 Tips!
New Jaguar Incentive Deal!
And more!

> From the Editor's Controller - Playin' it like it is!
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Puxatawny what?!?! Hasn't that groundhog left town by now? A number of reports claimed the old harbinger of winter didn't see his shadow; that must mean the Jaguar CD is only a few weeks away, right? Well, this IS the Jaguar section - what did you think I was referring to, more winter? <grin>

Anyway, it's been quiet on the Jaguar front, for the most part. Atari has been quiet for a reason - that being that the next batch of games rumored to be coming next are from the 3rd party developers. Atari leaves it up to those developers to make the announcements as they're ready to do so. We know that Cannon Fodder is imminent, as well as a few others. Next week should start to see at least one new 3rd party game. Meanwhile, Atari is forging ahead to make sure that the CD games are completed soon so that we can get our hands on that new piece of hardware.

Atari has also announced a new Jaguar incentive deal which will essentially give a new buyer two free games with a new system purchase. Some have wondered why Atari just didn't lower the price of the Jag base unit, instead, as a money-inducing incentive. Well, if you really think about it, the price is pretty close to rock-bottom without Atari losing money on them. Users are getting an excellent system for the buck!

What Atari is focusing on, once the CD player and games are released, is to get more games out. That has to be a primary concern for Atari right now. They're also depending on the 3rd party developers as well. If you think that Atari doesn't realize all of this, you're kidding yourself. Everybody wants to see more and more games. They're coming folks; I realize it's not easy playing the waiting game.

Let's get to this week's issue, and sit back and relax. Me, I'm going to be anxiously awaiting Cannon Fodder and whatever else is on the way so we can have some more interesting reviews for you shortly.

Until next time...

> Jaguar Catalog STR InfoFile -   What's currently available, what's coming out.
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Current Available Titles ~~~~~~

CAT #	TITLE	MSRP	DEVELOPER/PUBLISHER
J9000	Cybermorph	$59.99	Atari Corp.
J9006	Evolution:Dino Dudes	$49.99	Atari Corp.
J9005	Raiden	$49.99	FABTEK, Inc/Atari Corp.
J9001	Trevor McFur/ Crescent Galaxy	$49.99	Atari Corp.
J9010	Tempest 2000	$59.95	Llamasoft/Atari Corp.
J9028	Wolfenstein 3D	$69.95	id/Atari Corp.
JA100	Brutal Sports FtBall	$69.95	Telegames
J9008	Alien vs. Predator	$69.99	Rebellion/Atari Corp.
J9029	Doom	$69.99	id/Atari Corp.
J9036	Dragon: Bruce Lee	$59.99	Atari Corp.
J9003	Club Drive	$59.99	Atari Corp.
J9007	Checkered Flag	$69.99	Atari Corp.
J9012	Kasumi Ninja	$69.99	Atari Corp.
J9042	Zool 2	$59.99	Atari Corp
	Bubsy	$49.99	Atari Corp
	Iron Soldier	$59.99	Atari Corp
	Val D'Isere Skiing	$59.99	Atari Corp.

Available Soon ~~~~~~

CAT #	TITLE	MSRP	DEVELOPER/PUBLISHER
	CatBox	$69.95	ICD
	Cannon Fodder	TBD	Virgin
	Hover Strike	$59.99	Atari

Hardware and Peripherals ~~~~~~

CAT #	TITLE	MSRP	MANUFACTURER
J8001	Jaguar (complete)	$249.99	Atari Corp.
J8904	Composite Cable	$19.95	
J8901	Controller/Joypad	$24.95	Atari Corp.
J8905	S-Video Cable	$19.95	
	Jaguar CD-ROM	$149.99	Atari Corp.

> Industry News STR Game Console NewsFile - The Latest Gaming News!
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-/- Konami Creates U.S. Base -/-

Japanese game software maker Konami Co. said today it will upgrade its research and development center in the United States to a wholly owned subsidiary.

From Tokyo, the Jiji press service reports the Illinois- based Konami Computer Entertainment Chicago Inc., capitalized at $3 million, will continue research and development work.

"Konami made the move to achieve quicker commercialization of products tailored to meet U.S. consumer tastes," Jiji says.
Jiji is a regular feature of NewsNet, accessible through the

IQuest gateway (GO IQUEST).

> Jaguar Developers STR InfoFile - Current Developer Lists & Titles

To Cody and everyone!

Cannon Fodder has entered into final assembly today! We will start shipping the middle of next week. We are arranging our shipping so that all dealers large and small will receive it on the same day, most likely Monday February 13.

All of the 3rd party publishers need your support, if you are planning to purchase a title any title (Troy Aikman, Cannon Fodder, Pinball Fantasies, Air Cars, etc) pre-book it with your dealer now create that demand and get the dealers, mainly the large chains, "turned on to the smaller publishers"

We would appreciate your support and I am sure that all of the other 3rd party publishers would also.

Cannon Fodder is a great game with great music with 72 levels of play. Check out the February Issue of EGM they did a full 2 page review on the game.

To any dealer or distributor looking for Cannon Fodder, you can call Computer West directly at (805)546-9036 or E-Mail me here.

Peter Curry
Computer West
Publishers of Cannon Fodder, Pinball Fantasies and more for the Jaguar

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> Jaguar Easter Eggs/Cheats/Hints STR InfoFile - Solving Those Riddles!

Sb: #Zool 2 Codes
Fm: SYSOP*Jeff Kovach 70761,3015
To: All

I just got these codes for Zool 2 off the Internet. I don’t have the game, so I wasn’t able to test them to make sure they’re valid:

Zool 2 Cheats

First stage of Bulberry Hill	77749
First stage of Tooting Common	88563
First stage of Snaking Pass	33666
First stage of Mount Ices	11968
Start of Mental Blockage	91266
Automatic access to Bonus Round after each stage	31867
Infinite health	11275
99 Lives	31965

Would someone let me know if these work?

> Jaguar Online STR InfoFile Online Users Growl & Purr!
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Watch your retailer and popular gaming magazines for a hot new Jaguar promotion...

Qualified purchases of a complete Jaguar system made between January 31, 1995 and before May 3, 1995 qualify for not one, but TWO great FREE bonuses by mail.

First, gamers may pick either Wolfenstein 3D or Tempest 2000 as a free cartridge. Secondly, gamers will also receive a free joypad controller for two-player games.

This offer requires a legible and valid dated sales receipt of a complete Jaguar game system, the UPC symbol from the outside of the Jaguar box and the claim coupon. The in-store coupons and counter displays are on their way now if not already in stores. Complete details are available on the in-store coupons.

If you've been holding out on a Jaguar! Hold out no longer. Get a great deal, PLUS be ready for the exciting release of the CD-ROM soon!

 -- Don Thomas
    Atari Corporation

> ONLINE WEEKLY STReport OnLine The wires are a hummin'!
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PEOPLE... ARE TALKING
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On CompuServe
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compiled by
Joe Mirando
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Hidi ho friends and neighbors. Well, yet another week has come and gone... I just don't know where the time goes. As the term "Surfing the 'Net" becomes more popular, I have to wonder if some of the folks bandying the term about have a true understanding of what the 'Net actually is. Well, I guess that if they don't now, they will soon. With the access to the Internet that services such as CompuServe provide (and the expanded access that's still to come), and the as yet fabled ability to access data via cable systems, it's sure to become more popular than ever. The only problem with access to all that information is that we'll

never have the time to read it all. Oh well, I guess we'll just have to rough it <grin>.

Okay, let's take a look at what's going on right here on CompuServe...

From the Atari Computing Forums

Martin Murafsky posts:

> "I am living in Austria and I own an ATARI 1040 STE with 1 Megabyte of memory. I want to get new software which needs more megabyte of RAM. So i am thinking of upgrading my system to an FALCON 030. It is the first time I have been into this forum and so I thought I could ask you some questions concerning the ATARI computer line.
>
> I have a MEGAFILE 60. Would it be possible to connect this HD to a FALCON? What kind of monitor would I need? Are there any programs to access INTERNET or COMPUSERVE with an ATARI computer? Can I connect a CD-Rom to my STE or to a FALCON? I read that a wordprocessing tool called PAPYROS (i do not know of spelled it correctly) needs SPEEDOS-GDOS to run. Do you think this program would also run with NVDI 3.0?
>
> Is the FALCON still produced and is still software developed for it? What are the prices for the FALCON. Can I also get it in Europe?
>
> I hope I did not bother you to much with my questions, but in Austria, there is no way to get any information about ATARI computers."

Gee, it sounds like Australia _is_ just like every place else in the world <grin>. Bob Retelle tells Martin:

> "If you have an STe model, you can very easily add memory to it, and quite cheaply.
>
> The STe was the only model of the ST line which used standard SIMMs memory modules, so you could just pop in more memory without having to do extensive hardware modifications.
>
> If you now have a 1040 STe, there will be four 256K simms in it. What you would need to get is four 1 Megabyte SIMMs to replace them, which will give you a total of 4 megabytes of memory. (4 megabytes is the maximum amount any ST computer can handle)
>
> If you need more memory than that, a Falcon or TT would be the way you'd have to go... be sure though that you check to see that the software you want to run is compatible with the Falcon.. there are some conflicts with some programs.
>
> Essentially there are no Atari computers being produced any more. There may be some left in warehouses and on store shelves, but they are not being actively replaced. This means that support will continue to dwindle.
>
> (There IS a deal with a third-party company to produce more Falcons, but that is probably going to be a very limited and specialized market niche.)

The ST line of hard drives, such as your MEGAFILE 60 can NOT be used with a Falcon.

You CAN add a CD-ROM drive to both the ST and Falcon. You'll need to obtain the proper software drivers, and for the ST, a SCSI host adapter. The Falcon has a SCSI interface built in.

There are a limited number of Internet access programs available for the Atari platform.. I've used the one we have available here in our software library called KA9Q and while it's a little crude, it does work. There are no World Wide Web browsers available for the ST at this time though.

We have an "offline message reader" for the ST that works with CompuServe called QUICKCIS that's available here in the software libraries too.. it's not a "GUI" system like CIM for the IBM, but it IS quite effective at automating your CIS sessions.

And... welcome to the Atari Forums here on CompuServe..!"

I'll tell you folks, I just can't say enough about Bob and all the other Sysops that make using CompuServe a joy. I don't know of any place else that offers knowledgeable, helpful folks like CIS. But I digress.
Albert Dayes of Atari Explorer Online Magazine tells Martin:

"If I remember correctly the 1040 STe has simm slots so memory can be upgraded pretty easily. CD-ROM drives can be used with all Atari ST/STE/TT/Falcon computers. Using software like ExtenDOS is one such method. There is a list in the library of 700+ CD-ROM titles that can be used on the Atari.

From what I recall MegaFile 60 requires a DMA/ASCI connection. The Falcon only has a SCSI connector on the back ... not the DMA connect that is on the back of all other Atari ST models.

Atari Europe has a CIS account and they frequent the forum from time to time. SO hopefully they can provide you more info on the European side of things.

I believe the newest version of Papyrus can work with NVDI 3.x but I'm not sure on that point.

The Falcon is no longer being made by Atari corp. But there are supposed to be some other companies that will be making Falcon clones."

Steven Russell posts:

"Hello all, this may sound like a dumb question, at least it does to me, How do I chain a Megafile 30 to a SCSI drive. The SCSI drive is hooked up through AdSCSI plus. When I turn on the computer while the Megafile and Maxtor are turned on, the Megafile locks up and does not boot. I used to know how to fix this problem, but it has been so long since I have done anything of this sort, I have forgotten how. Thanks in advance for your help."

Sysop Jim Ness tells Steven:

"Chances are that the drives are each set up with the same SCSI unit ID. Try changing the second drive to Unit 1, since the first drive is probably set as Unit 0."

Jim makes it sound sooooo easy, doesn't he? Well, I guess that's what Sysops are supposed to do. Meanwhile, Steven takes a short course in serendipity:

> "I was talking with the wife about something that had nothing at all to do with the computer and I think that I may have solved my problem. The second drive is still set-up as an auto boot drive at system turn on and the two are conficting with each other. I am going to give it a try and let you know what I come up with."

Michel Vanhamme posts:

> "I'm a (registered!) Connect user (version 2.46 from March 5 1994). If there's anyone out there using Connect to their satisfaction with CIS, would they -please- tell me how they configured it to work well with CIS (File Transfer, Port Settings, Compatibility...) as well as their Profile settings on CIS? I've had problems trying to do this on my own, so if anyone can help..."

Yat Siu of Lexicor Software tells Michel:

> "Here is what you shuold do, go to the setup menu and inthe option compatilbity mode select strip 8th bit, and it should work fine with CIS if you use the regular 8bit parity settings that come with connect."

And just to prove that we STReport editors don't know everything, Our own Dana Jacobson asks:

> "Does anyone know whether or not the CIS Mac navigators will work with Spectre? If so, any recommendations? With the activity here in the Atari forums, I may be able to save some time using an OLR. I should probably also check out QuickCIS again too, but I figured there may be something else as an alternative option also."

Rob Huggins tells Dana:

> "I have used previous versions of MacNav in the past with Spectre and they worked OK but I haven't tried the latest version (v3.2.1p1). At the moment, I don't have room for the ST to be set up<sigh>."

Sysop Keith Joins tells Dana:

> "Both Mac Nav and MacCIM in their current versions work with Spectre."

Dana asks:

> "Are MacNav and MacCIM in the Macintosh forums, or in a special area within CIS?"

Rob Huggins tells Dana:

> "GO MCIMSOFT to download MacCIM. MacNav is not available for downloading - you'd have to purchase a kit - GO ORDER.
>
> The two are actually complementary - MacCIM being an interactive browser (cruise the unfamiliar areas online and find stuff you like) and MacNav being an offline nav program (when you know what you want use it to specify what you want, let MacNav retrieve it all and log

off, you review the results offline while you're not paying for the time)."

John Raymond posts:

"I am new to comms and am having some difficulty downloading files. I am using an Atari STFM and comm package called Connect. When I try to download I keep getting garbled sector/time out/ crc error messages which dont mean much to me. Can anyone advice on setting up the parameters of the program or give me some pointers. I also would like to locate a program to unzip .zip files. that is if I can get to the download stage in the first place."

Albert Dayes of Atari Explorer Online Magazine tells John:

"There is a program called ST ZIP v2.6 which handles zip files very well in the library. Have you tried using serial fix version 2.x? It fixes some problems with serial communications on the Atari ST. It can also be found in the library as well."

Mike Myers posts:

"Let's start out with a minor fact. I'm not sure of anything about this, so it's very easy to correct this set of questions. I have heard of some kind of module, perhaps called "Spectre", that enables an Atari to run IBM compatible programs. Is it so? How good is it? I've got 2-3 areas, including a bill payment service that have programs, nice programs, but not Atari programs. Next question. How much? and do they show up used on the market? Again, what sort of a price for a good used one? if they exist used and for sale, where? Also, same questions about anything for Mac?"

Boy, is today Mike's lucky day or what? Sysop Bob Retelle tells him:

"You've got it pretty close... actually the Spectre IS a Macintosh emulator, not an IBM emulator.

It's an excellent product that lets your ST run a lot of Macintosh software directly from the Mac disks. There are some limitations, and it won't run the newest Mac operating system, but it IS very good.

As for IBM emulators, there used to be a "software only" emulator that didn't need anything extra to run IBM programs called "pc ditto". The problem with it was that it was EXTREMELY slow, and it only emulated a CGA color monitor.

Copies of the original pc-ditto show up used from time to time if you'd like to experiment with it.

Then there are the more capable hardware emulators where you have to add a special circuit board inside your ST which essentially is a small IBM computeron a board and which uses your ST's keyboard, monitor and drives to run IBM software. These are much faster and far more useful. The problems with them are that they often only emulate an 80286 computer (IBM AT), and their graphics output is still only at the CGA or sometimes EGA level (the limiting factor is that the ST itself can't display anything more than EGA). There are some which do emulate an 80386, and probably in the mythical land of Germany there may be 80486 emulators too.

Another problem with most of these is that they require tricky installation inside the ST. There was one model of hardware emulator which came in a separate external box and just plugged into the ST, which made it very easy to hook up, called the "SuperCharger".

Unfortunately most of these are no longer being made, so you have to find them on the used market.

For the kinds of applications you've mentioned wanting to run, the software emulator, pc-ditto, might actually be acceptable if you can find a copy of it for sale anywhere..."

Rob Rasmussen posts:

"I got Image Copy 3.52, and I'm still trying to decide which color ink jet printer to get. I want 720 dpi in color, and I'm trying to decide between the Epson Color Stylus and the Canon BJC-600e. Image Copy has a STYLS720.INF driver in the Printer folder, yet it doesn't show up in the "Printer type" dialog. From the manual, I assume I would select Epson Inkjet, and it says to set print density for 50%. It seems like it would let me select Stylus in the Printer Type dialog. Do you know if the Canon, which also does 720 dpi color, can use the driver(s) in Image Copy?

You had said the Epson LQ-xxx driver in AtariWorks will work with a lot of different printers. Is there anything special about these higher rez color ink jets that wouldn't work with the drivers for the 360 dpi ink jets? Of course the salesmen have no idea what I'm talking about when I tell them I want it to work with my Atari. The guy selling the Canon said it had the advantage of separate color cartridges, while on the Stylus if you run out of one you have to change the whole thing. But again, that may not be a problem."

Steven Russell of Glacier Enterprises tells Rob:

"I'm not sure if the Canon BJC-600e can use the printer drivers that come with Image Copy. I haven't gotten my upgrade yet.

As long as the printer is Epson compatible. Meaning it will emulate an epson style of printer.

No. When you use the 360 dpi driver for the 720 dpi inkjet, you will not have the same output as with the 720 dpi driver would give you.

I know what you mean. I was looking at the Epson Stylus last week and was considering buying the printer, but I am unsure if I have a compatible driver in Calamus for it. As for the ink cartridge, I like you don't see a problem with it. I did like the output that I seen in the store, but you cannot always go by what see in the store because things change when you get the product home and find out that you are missing something that you need in order for the printer to work with your set-up. I will do some checking and get back with you on ct about the printers and ImageCopy."

On the subject of possible CD titles for the Atari Jaguar, the Hot 64-bit game system, Chris Miller posts:

"I still think a "classic" gaming CD would make the ultimate pack-in with the Jag-CD. I'd buy one if it came with 1 "new" game and a "classics" CD that contained games like Air, Sea Battles.....Yar's

Revenge..... Warlords..... Adventure.....Haunted House.....Breakout.....Combat and others. I bet they would sell a lot of machines based on that alone. (Of course, I'll probably buy one anyways...but it would be nice <g>).

Atari needs to play up the nostalgia thing a little more. How about "Combat 2000" as a pack in for the Jag. That would be great!!!"

Max Yokell tells Chris:

"...I love the idea of a Classics Disc/Cart however they want to do it and I would even cough up some cash to get one. ...[but] all the games could be put on one Disk with a ton of left over space and trying to supply an Idea for what to do with the left over space.

Yeah I know I will end up buying one anyways too. I think Atari should take advantage of the CD format by releasing some quick Demos and or a monthly Jag CD mag for it. From what I have heard the cost of making CDs is not very high so if they hit me up for $9.99 to $14.99 for a quarterly JagCd mag I would subscribe and even if it were Bi-monthly. I do not think they would want to attempt a monthly one as there might not be enough to fill a monthly one."

Craig Harris adds his thoughts on the subject:

"Interviews with the designers, the original commercials...

Or how about a virtual playroom, where you virtually go to the tv, pick up the virtual cartridge you want to play, stick it in the virtual 2600...

Aw, heck...too much work."

Chris Miller adds:

"I think that would be a heck of an idea. It could have demos of up coming games and the newest edition of an Atari CD Magazine. Atari could even put previews of up coming games on the CD with new releases (provided there is enough space). The possibilities are endless...."

Max Yokell asks:

"Do you have any news on the new version of Battlezone? I remember reading about a Battle Zone 2000 here but have not seen anything on this lately. Can you tell us if anyone is currently working on it?"

Craig Harris tells Max:

"From what I understand, Battlezone 2000 has become Hover Strike."

Laury Scott at Atari tells us:

"I don't know if you have ever seen a software title progress through its development. To me it seems as if the sequence of events goes like this-

For a long time it seems as if no progress is being made. They get a figure of sorts up on the screen. Then make it do something (rotate or fly). Next comes some placeholder art backgrounds and maybe even some placeholder sounds.

At this point you start to wonder if the game is ever going to play and if it does who would buy it. (For any programmers reading this I fully understand what kind of 'hell' you have gone through getting that far but to an outsider this is the way it looks.)

Next the game starts to take shape and things actually happen. Everything comes together and IS or Tempest 2K appears. However at that moment something that looked good on paper or in the 'slow development' stages no longer looks as nice. You then have to fix it. In this case the best fix was the delete key."

From the Graphics Support Forum

Well, the big news in the graphics world is still the decision of Unisys to enforce their patent on the compression routines contained in the GIF graphics format.

On the subject of the patent, Thomas Leathley tells Larry Wood (of the Graphics Support Forum):

"Next time you talk to the Unisys troops, ask them if they have any answers for GIF toolkit developers like me (Ryle Design) who develop and sell tools, not end user GIF apps. I still don't have a clue what my situation is if I want to sell source and object code that imports and exports GIF images. I am not in the end-user app business, but my customers are, and they certainly will have to have an LZW license, but what about me? I've talked with Unisys by voice and email, and the voice discussion was entirely unsatisfactory as I posted when it happend - basically the Unisys guy said anyone who sells code for $100-$300 a pop was a total idiot for selling it that cheap. The email discussions I've had said "OK - we hear you - we'll get back to you". Never happened.

If you have a channel into these guys (who appear more and more to be total clowns - no wonder they are going down the tubes) then please pass along this message."

Larry tells Thomas:

"Unisys is aware of the special circumstances of toolbox authors. We expect to be able to give special number to contact in regards to these issues soon now (I know, I know ... we have been saying that for days now)."

Shortly thereafter Larry posts:

"Unisys has authorized me to announce that they now have a GIF/LZW or a GIF/TIFF/LZW developer agreement ready for the developer community to consider. The follow is my reading of the agreement.

GIF/LZW ... $25 license fee up front, creditable to future registrations; a .45% royalty on total selling price, per unit, not to be less than $0.10 per unit nor more than $10.00 per unit.

GIF/TIFF/LZW ... $50 license fee up front, creditable to future registrations; .65% royalty on total selling price, per unit, not to

be less than $0.20 per unit nor more than $25.00 per unit.

For further information and a copy of the written agreement, call (215) 986-4411. Please advise them if you are a CompuServe-'Go Graphics' Group Shareware author. We don't get a kickback [g], but we want them to know where the registrations come from.

As I read the agreement, there are no unfavorable terms which would preclude any developer from making use of this agreement to cost-effectively continue GIF and/or GIF/TIFF development.

I will be available later tonight to answer further questions. Please keep questions one to a message so I can handle what I am sure will be a flood of questions."

Jeff Woods of deltaComm Dev. tells us (well, actually he's telling Larry, but let's listen in anyway):

"I have several problems with the contract we just received from Unisys. I shall address the points in order of appearance:

Section 1.e., definition of "Field of Use", seems to explicitly prohibit those of use who develop communications software from including .GIF viewers in our software if we also happen to run a BBS. "Additionally excluded is software provided by on-line service vendors to their customers to access the on-line service, software for operating network access servers, web servers, Internet servers, or bulletin boards..."

Section 2.c, restricts customers to only ONE backup. Now, I don't know about you, but I rotate my backups in sets, meaning I usually have several copies at a time in "backup". As far as I know, most tape backup manufacturers recommend this method of backup management.

Section 3 (this one is a biggie) requires a license fee for "each Dispositoin of Licensed Software hereunder (including updates, improvements and enhancements)..." Now, correct me if I'm wrong, but Unisys should only be entitled to royalties ONCE, unless the developer materially enchances the GIF/LZW portion of the program. The way its worded now, I owe Unisys 0.45% on all updates, even if said update doesn't even TOUCH the GIF/LZW code, and leaves it completely unchanged. This is wrong, and unacceptable.

Section 14.a(1) attempts to define shareware in a manner which I am guessing, in my capacity as Vice President of STAR (Shareware Trade Association and Resources) will be offensive and unacceptable to our members, and perhaps to members of the ASP as well, though I can't presume to speak for that organization. The offensive word is "requested". Shareware is that software which can be evaluated prior to purchase, but for which payment to the program author is *required* for licensed use beyond a defined evaluation period.

Section 14.d attempts to put a price tag on shareware, which isn't acceptable. Right now, we have a $99.00 shareware product, but if I sign this license, I'm precluded from pricing our shareware product as we deem suitable for the marketplace. That's unacceptable to me.

Section 14.f shall preclude the inclusion of a GIF viewer in most shareware versions, since authors will be averse to adding a fixed screen such as that to the software. Also, this section needs to be

clarified so that it is clear that the registered, licensed version of the software need not display such a message (if retail-ware doesn't have to, the registered shareware shouldn't have to).

Section 14.f(b) needs similar clarification, stating that only unregistered shareware needs these extra statements in the documentation. Again, if retailware shouldn't have to do this, then neither should fully licensed, paid for, registered shareware.

(i.e. it seems to me that counsel for Unisys hasn't got a real grasp on exactly what shareware is, or how it works).

Section 15.b seems to want to charge me royalties for using my OWN software that I wrote, as if I had sold it to myself. Huh? Did I miss something?

I look forward to Unisys' addressing of these issues."

Dan Richardson posts his own thoughts on the document:

"I get the impression Unisys spent a month carefully loading and aiming the gun so they could shoot themselves in the other foot. I hope they post this agreement. It sounds like a hoot."

Jeff Woods tells Dan:

"Had I the time, I'd type it in here for review (since the "Agreement" contains a clause about keeping things confidential, that might be a problem, but I haven't signed a damn thing *yet* and revealing the contract before signing it would not be in violation of anything I've agreed to, ex post facto laws being what they are). Sorry, but I don't have that spare time."

Larry Wood tells us:

"Unisys did not upload it as a file because they wanted to opportunity to review it with some developers who were asking for it before having it posted publically. Neither they, nor we have any problem with it being in public view, therefore Diana's message containing the typed in version will be moved back into public view this morning."

Well folks, it's a complex issue to be sure. Each side had their own views, with good reasons for them. We can only hope that the issues involved will be settled in the near future. It's not just because of this one, immediate, issue either. It might not seem so right now, but we're currently observing one of the growing pains of the Electronic Superhighway. As more and more users appear, more and more options and services will appear also. It's only smart to use compression to speed transmission of data... it's more cost-effective for both the sender and receiver. But will the fact that compression is used end up being a boon or a bane to those who depend on it? Only time will tell. Remember the ancient Chinese curse: "May you live in interesting times"? Well, it looks like someone cursed us! <grin>

Be sure to tune in again next week, same time, same station, and be ready to listen to what they are saying when...

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